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**Montana Water Court**

IN THE WATER COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA  
CLARK FORK DIVISION  
ROCK CREEK BASIN (76E)

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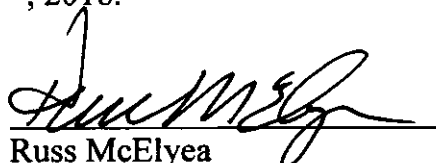
**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
OBJECTIONS TO THE PRELIMINARY DECREE**

The objection period in Basin 76E closes on November 7, 2018. On October 25, 2018, the United States of America filed a Request for Extension of Time to File Objections to the Preliminary Decree for Basin 76E.

This Court may extend the objection period in a Basin for two additional ninety-day periods, provided good cause is shown and the request for extension is received before the end of the current objection period. Section 85-2-233(2), MCA. The United States of America's request for extension satisfies both of the above-mentioned criteria. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the request is GRANTED, and the objection period is EXTENDED until and including **Tuesday, February 5, 2019 to file, not mail**, objections to the Preliminary Decree in Basin 76E. This extension applies to ALL WATER CLAIMANTS in this Basin, whether they asked for an extension or not. The Court will publish at least one notice of the extension in the *Missoulian* in Missoula, Montana, the *Ravalli Republic* in Hamilton, Montana, and the *Philipsburg Mail* in Philipsburg, Montana.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

  
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